

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph on page 46, lines 14-23 with the following paragraph:

Amino-modified 96 well plates (Costar or Corning) are modified with succinimidyl acetone nicotinic acid hydrazone (SANH) as follows. A fresh solution of SANH (1.25 mL of 10 mg/mL) in DMSO is prepared. This solution is diluted into PBS (0.1 M phosphate, 0.15 M NaCl, pH 7.4: 100 mL). To each well was added 200 μ L of the SANH/PBS ~~SANH/DMSO/PBS~~ solution and the wells were incubated at room temperature for 4 hours. The wells are washed with water and then treated with 0.1 M acetate, pH 4.7 (200 uL) for 2 hours. The wells were washed three times with PBS/0.5% Tween®. The wells were dried and are ready for conjugation to molecules possessing carbonyl moieties.